

DEMOCRATS WILL DISCUSS PROBE

Attitude Toward Proposed Inquiry Into Governor's Conduct to Be Debated

HOLD POWER BALANCE

The attitude of the Democratic members of the State Senate toward the Sprout resolution for an investigation of Governor Brumbaugh and the State administration will be determined in Harrisburg this afternoon.

The leaders of both the old guard and the reorganization factions in the Democratic party have called a conference, at which the Democratic Senators will decide how they shall vote when the measure comes up for final passage in the Senate tonight.

Penrose cannot pass the probe resolution without the help of the Democrats, who hold the balance of power in both branches of the Legislature. Vance C. McCormick, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, will preside over the conference.

The Penrose Senate leaders also will confer in Harrisburg this afternoon while the Democrats are meeting. The "war council" will arrange for springing the "sensation" which the Penrose war board promised for tonight.

Regardless of the nature or importance of the resolution, the Senate session tonight holds promise of being one of the most brilliant in the history of the State since last Tuesday, now, and until the general election.

The case of Penrose and McNichol to support the resolution and the case of Penrose and McNichol to oppose it, will be the main feature of the evening. There are even reports that the tactics which brought condemnation down upon the Governor's head during the speakership fight are again being employed.

Senators to fall into line with the Administration. The vacancies created at that time still exist, it was pointed out, and they must be filled some time.

Attorney General Brown has been busy politically since the Penrose leaders adjourned the Senate on Tuesday for fear they would be defeated on a vote on the Sprout resolution.

One of the most important of the bills to be introduced provides that the Mayor shall appoint the members of the Board of Revision of Taxes, and that Council shall have the method of assessment of taxes. At present members to the board are appointed by judges.

Constitutional amendments also will be introduced.

First, granting the city authority to supervise street planning in nearby towns within a radius of three miles of the city.

Second, to assess benefits of property owners whose property butts on public improvements. This amendment also would give the city the right to buy and sell property butting on improvements.

Council's Legislative Committee met this afternoon and agreed that the bills would be introduced tonight at Harrisburg. When asked what member of the committee would introduce the bills, Chairman Gaffney said that had not been decided as yet.

The committee is preparing a bill to block persons who fail to make a proper return on their personal property. It is said that revenue on at least \$50,000,000 worth of property is lost to the city each year, owing to faulty returns. The bill will be sent to Harrisburg later, according to the announcement made today.

FOUND DEAD IN HIS CELL

Convict's 14-Year-Sentence to New Jersey State Prison Cut Short

Death today cut short the fourteen-year sentence of Robert A. Howard, a negro, of 2222 Colorado street, for holding up John C. Demmert, a Camden jeweler, at the point of a gun and rifling his store of \$1000 worth of jewelry on the afternoon of January 11. He was found dead in his cell in the Camden County Jail this morning by Sheriff Hewitt, while his accomplice, Homer Dickinson, another negro, who shared the same cell, was soundly asleep on his narrow cot.

Howard and Dickinson were sentenced to fourteen years in prison by Judge Boyle on Saturday when they pleaded guilty to carrying concealed deadly weapons and larceny. Sheriff Hewitt came to the Camden County Jail to remove the prisoners to the State penitentiary, at Trenton, to fulfill the term and discovered the lifeless body of Howard. Physicians pronounced the man's death as due to uremia.

KILLS MAN WITH HATCHET

Woman Hits Him on Head, Goes to Sleep, Wakes Up to Find Him Dead

Effie Miller, forty-seven years old, 609 Buttonwood street, came into the Tenth and Buttonwood streets station this morning and told Sergeant Werne that she had hit her common-law husband on the head with a hatchet yesterday after he had threatened her with a dirk. She said that she had put the man, whose name she said was Edward McAllister, to bed and gone to sleep herself. On awakening, she explained, she had found McAllister dead.

The woman was held without bail by Magistrate Beaton at the Central Station to await the action of the Coroner. The police found McAllister dead in bed with a wound on his head and took the body to the morgue.

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CITY CLERGY COUNSEL LOYALTY TO PRESIDENT

Pastors, Hoping for Best, Urge People to Prepare for the Worst

GUARD NATIONAL HONOR

War Advocated if Nation's Chief Finds It Necessary to Resort to Arms

"America first" was the dominant thought of clergymen interviewed today on the international crisis. Pastors of all denominations expressed the hope that their parishioners would set aside any existing differences and unite in the support of President Wilson in whatever step he may take to meet the difficult situation.

Ministers and priests were unanimous in their desire for peace; but there was a disposition to follow the President even should he resort to arms as means to defend the nation's life and honor.

Some declared that the American people should stand by the principles of right. One clergyman expressed approval of compulsory military training, which he said would bring all the nationalities of the United States together. Others asserted that the lives of American seamen and passengers must be protected.

CHURCHES UNFURL FLAGS

At some of the churches American flags have been unfurled.

"We are compelled to go to war we should go with determination to uphold the principles of humanity," was the thought of several ministers.

The Rev. Dr. Russell H. Conwell, pastor of Grace Baptist Temple, urged the people to wait and be cautious and said that a few days may change the entire situation. If we go to war he expressed the hope that the President would not take any action for two or three weeks, so that the people could think it over and learn the cause.

"The time has come," he asserted, "for all nations to join together and compel every nation to sign a document to the effect that no nation will go to war without consulting all other nations. Then there would be no more war."

"It seems inevitable that every nation of the world will be drawn into the war and that all the neutral nations must inevitably follow this country's example."

Floyd W. Tomkins, rector of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, said:

"War among nations results from poor spirit among individuals. It is only when they have ideas of right and truth that nations may become better."

Bishop N. B. Grubb, pastor of the First Mennonite Church, Fifth and Diamond streets, said:

"I cannot for a moment think that Germany will be willing to enter into war with us. Germany might profit for the time being, but surely Germany is not so blind that she cannot see that it will mean the gravest loss to Germany after the war."

A hope for "a reconsecration of American patriotism and the united support of the American people behind President Wilson" was expressed by the Rev. Dr. Frank P. Parkin, pastor of the Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, Broad and Master streets.

URGES PRAYER

The Rev. Francis M. Wetherill at Old Christ Church, Second street above Market, said:

"We cannot help going down on our knees today and offering up our petition for the continued use of our beloved country. The power of prayer is far-reaching and should be invoked in this hour of trial for the nation."

The Rev. Dr. Richard Turner, pastor of Logan Methodist Church, said:

"The Administration must hold up the dignity of the American nation and the President must see that his orders are obeyed. The lives of American seamen and American passengers who cross the high seas should be protected—but let us hope that there won't be any conflict between this country and Germany."

The Rev. Dr. Linn Bowman, pastor of Spring Garden Street Methodist Church, said:

"War is a calamity in every case. The Democratic policy, however, has been fair with Germany. War is a terrible thing, but there is nothing left to do but to protect our flag and country."

The Rev. J. Gray Bolton, pastor of Hope Presbyterian Church, said that every citizen should be loyal to the constituted authorities.

"If there are any who are treacherous and untrue to the country," he added, "they should not remain here, but choose the country that they can be loyal and true to."

"Let all Americans stand by the Administration," was the advice of the Rev. Dr. Carl E. Grammer, rector of St. Stephen's Church, "and show a united front."

Similar advice was offered by the Rev. Dr. Alexander MacColl, pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church, and other ministers.

Ask Cops to Guard Armory

Colonel A. L. Hartung, chairman of the Philadelphia Army Board, has asked Superintendent of Police Robinson to detail two policemen for duty at the Second Regiment Armory, Broad street and Susquehanna avenue. The regiment is on duty at the Mexican border, and as the armory is State property and in charge of one man the colonel believes additional protection is necessary.

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WEST PHILADELPHIA FAMILY FEUD LIKE A BIT OF OLD KENTUCKY

Only Things Lacking From Clash of the Solzers and the Donnells Were the Rolling Foothills of the Cumberland and Similar Accessories

It was as though a bit of old Kentucky had been transplanted to Seventy-eighth street and Erwig avenue. Rolling foothills of the Cumberland covered with the whispering trees one reads about in the novels, small valleys of blue grass, the bay of hounds, and guns—these comprised the chief requisites to make Sunday's doings there smack more of Kentucky than Kentucky smacks itself.

"Pa," said Margaret Solzer, nineteen years old, last night, "that Mary Donnell insulted me when I was coming home tonight."

"She did, eh?" said William Solzer. "Well, I'll just go over and raise Cain with old man Donnell about it."

Richard Donnell, Sr., fifty-four years old, was waiting on the front porch of his home at 7811 Erwig avenue, when William Solzer, who lives on the corner of Seventy-eighth street and Erwig avenue, approached. There were a few words about their daughters' quarrel, a fight, and William Solzer went home.

Edward Bailey, Jr., twenty-two years old, son-in-law of Solzer, and Edward Bailey, Sr., forty-nine years old, heard from Solzer the story of the fight and the defeat.

"We'll go back with you," they said. When the three men reached Donnell's house, Richard Donnell, Jr., twenty-one years old; his brother, William, twenty-two years old, and Edward Magarry, thirty-two years old, son-in-law of the elder Donnell, were waiting to help Richard Donnell, Sr.

The two families met in combat on the Donnell front porch. Rungs were pulled from the porch railing and used as weapons. Flower pots were hurled. The door was crashed and the combatants moved through the lower floor, using, as they went, chairs, iron, an ironing board, crockery, pictures plucked from the wall, stray bits of the Donnell household furnishings.

The fight was loud and furious when Policemen Graham and Davis, of the Thirty-second street and Woodland avenue station, arrived. The men turned upon them. The policemen drew revolvers.

When the fight was stopped the combatants were suffering from numerous and various minor injuries.

Edward Bailey, Sr., who resides at 7818 Erwig avenue, was the most seriously injured. He will lose the sight of his right eye, physicians at the University Hospital, where he was taken, said today. The others are suffering from cuts and bruises; one has a gash across the head and another has a broken nose.

With the exception of the elder Bailey, all were arraigned today before Magistrate Pennock, in the Thirty-second street and Woodland avenue court, and held for a hearing tomorrow in \$400 bail each.

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22 FIREMEN ON ELIGIBLE LIST

Civil Service Commission Publishes Names of Candidates Who Qualified

An eligible list, containing the names of twenty-two firemen, who qualified in a promotion examination for the position of driver of motor apparatus, Bureau of Fire, which pays a salary of \$1100, was made public today by the Civil Service Commission. The list is as follows:

Ernest Osborn, Harry Wunsh, George Calhoun, William W. Wardle, Charles M. Douglas, Frederick V. Livezey, John J. Daily, Adam J. Scheid, Henry J. Aht, John A. McKenna, Clarence E. Garis, Walter A. Phillips, William Cooperhewitt, Joseph Nichols, Russell Stackhouse, Frank Humphries, Charles T. Bobl, Charles Owens, John J. Lawall, John King, William Steeger and Frank Kene.

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Mrs. Fels to Talk on Joseph Fels

Mrs. Joseph Fels will talk on "Joseph Fels and His Life Work" tonight before Adath Jeshurun Assembly, Broad street above Diamond. There will be an interesting musical program.

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AUSTRIAN JOINS ARMY; LOVES FOSTER LAND

Declares Readiness to Fight for U. S., Which Gave Him a Good Living—Other Recruits

A husky young Austrian munition worker, who said he wanted to fight for the United States because this country had given him a good living, was among three men who enlisted for service today in the United States army at the army recruiting station, 1209 Arch street.

Enlistments and applications for enlistment were brisk at the navy recruiting station, 1210 Arch street. Six out of twenty-five applicants were accepted. Scores of naval reserve men and ex-service men called at the station in person or called over the telephone and informed Lieutenant Commander C. L. Hand that they would "go" to the colors, when needed. Many of these men originate from the New York district, but at present they are working in munition plants in this vicinity.

The Austrian munition worker who was enlisted at the army station by Colonel C. A. P. Hatfield, retired, is twenty years old and a fine specimen of manhood. He is five feet eight inches in height and weighs 160 pounds. He passed his examination with flying colors. He was sent to Fort Slocum, N. Y., with two other recruits.

The name of the Austrian is Joseph Feulner, and he has been employed for several months at the powder plant at Paulshoro, N. J. He is a native of Raekam, Austria.

"I haven't applied for my first papers," he said today, "but I will do so right away. It makes no difference with me whether or not the United States severs diplomatic relations with Austria."

"The United States is my country now. It has given me a good living, and I am ready to fight for it, and die for it if necessary."

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COLD WEATHER INCREASES ACTIVITIES OF THIEVES

Robberies in All Parts of City Reported to the Police—Several Automobiles Taken

Many thieves took advantage of the short respite from the cold weather last night, and a large number of robberies were reported to the police in all parts of the city this morning.

Thieves entered the Richmond car barn, Richmond street and Allegheny avenue, last night, and stole the controller handles from twelve cars standing ready for the morning rush. Each handle is valued at \$2.50, making the total loss \$30.

When Miss K. Berlinger went to church last night at Sixteenth and Jefferson streets she left her car standing on the corner. When she came out at the close of the services it was gone, but was later recovered at Twenty-third street and North College avenue. It is valued at \$1050.

Other automobiles stolen last night include cars belonging to Edward Hancock, 144 West Washington lane; G. Warrell, of Ardmore, stolen from in front of 2007 Walnut street; and Franklin H. Sticker, 3546 North Broad street. The car of E. Edwin Bartlett, of Ridley Park, Pa., was stolen this morning from a square by the high wind.

The clothing factory of E. Eilman, 1130 South Seventh street, was robbed by thieves, who gained entrance by breaking the glass in the front door. Clothing and jewelry valued at \$3840 was taken. A large double team was seen standing in front of the store by the milkman early this morning, and it is thought the stolen goods were taken away in this manner.

The store of Gross & Cohen, 3744 Germantown avenue, was entered through a rear window, and dresses valued at \$200 stolen. Six dozen sweaters were taken during the night from Isadora Cohen, who occupies the third floor of the building on the northwest corner of Second and Vine streets. He estimates his loss at \$200. Jewelry worth \$230 was stolen from the home of Samuel Eisenberg, 2820 Kensington avenue. Police in all parts of the city are busy today tracing clues to these robberies.

Cars Derailed When Wheel Breaks

READING, Pa., Feb. 5.—A broken flange on a wheel of a southbound freight train on the Pennsylvania Railroad resulted in the derailment of nine cars at Landingsville, near here, early today.

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